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**TO:** Executive Directors, DSN Boards  
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**FROM:** Mary Long, Interim Chief Financial Officer

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Mary Long', is written over the printed name.

**DATE:** January 8, 2025

**SUBJECT:** Community ICF/IID Rate Effective July 1<sup>st</sup> 2023

Previously, DDSN issued ICF/IID providers a payment for services in the amount of \$331.03 per person per day. DDSN performs several administrative functions related to billing for the services rendered in these ICFs/IID. DDSN withholds 2.56% for these administrative functions which are based on FY21 Cost Reports. DDSN is also required to remit the \$8.50 per day bed fee based on S.C. Code Ann § 44-20-355. Both withholds combine to approximately 4.85% of the Medicaid rate.

Effective July 1, 2023, the rate paid for ICF/IID services was increased by DHHS to \$370.30. Using the same administrative fee calculation, the new per diem for these services will be \$352.32. Current agency contracts have been amended to reflect this new rate.

DDSN has received a retroactive payment for billed services dated from September 1, 2023 – September 30, 2024. We will be issuing a retroactive payment for the per person per day difference in the two rates. This payment will be received with your February payment.

DHHS is currently working on issuing a retroactive payment for July 1 – August 31, 2023. Once we receive this retroactive payment DDSN will finalize a reconciliation of each provider's payments; and any monies owed will be issued to the provider in a second retroactive payment for this rate increase. We anticipate the payment to be issued with March payment.

DDSN began paying the updated rate in October 2024.

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